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Mask mandate in effect at SHA facilities in Saskatoon due to increased COVID-19 activity

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The Saskatchewan Health Authority says anyone at its facilities in Saskatoon will have to wear a mask due to increased COVID-19 activity. **Photo by Carlos Tischler/Eyepix/ABACAPRESS.COM**

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The Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) has implemented a mask mandate at its Saskatoon facilities due to increased COVID-19 activity in the area.

All patients, visitors, and health care providers will have to wear a mask within an SHA facility or home. The mandate applies even if people can maintain a two-metre physical distance, visiting outside on SHA property or in non-clinical areas.

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Patients may be granted exemptions as directed by a health-care provider, said the SHA in a press release.

The SHA issued the alert Friday evening citing increased cases of COVID-19 in the City of Saskatoon.

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The mask mandate applies to all SHA facilities within the city including Jim Pattison Children's Hospital, Royal University Hospital, Saskatoon City Hospital, care homes, health offices and centres.

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All other screening protocols remain in place, and visitation access has not changed at this time, added the SHA in its press release.

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As of Friday, there are 139 active cases in Saskatchewan, 33 of which are in

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CONFIRMED	DEATHS	AT LEAST ONE DOSE	FULLY VACCINATED
1,421,679	26,457	78.89%	52.16%
(today: +228)	(today: +7)	of Canadians aged 12+	of Canadians aged 12+

Source: Esri Canada

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